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PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: David KLATZMANN et al.

International Application No: PCT/FR96/01132

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For: α - β C4BP-TYPE RECOMBINANT HETEROMULTIMERIC PROTEINS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's election requirement of December 21, 1998, Applicants wish to elect Species C, Claim 7 (antigen and antigen fragments), for examination on the merits, with traverse. The claims readable on the elected species are 1-4, 7-18, 20, and 22-26.

Applicants traverse because under the applicable PCT rules, the three species relate to a single general inventive concept. Each of the species of claims 5-7 relates to specific ligands of the immune system.

In view of the foregoing election, prompt and favorable action on the above claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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